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Briefly

Astronaut talk

Astronaut Tom Akers will be the keynote speaker at the Area Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at 7 a.m. Friday at the Granite City Township Building, 2000 Delmar Ave., Lt. Col. Akers, a native of Eminence, Mo., is a veteran of two NASA space flights and is preparing for his third this spring as a payload manager. He and his crew will rendezvous with and repair and refurbish the Hubble Space Telescope. That flight is set for July 26, 1993.

More than 400 area business leaders will attend the sold-out event, put together by Granite City Rotarians. There also will be informational displays and readings and a buffet breakfast catered by Petri's Restaurant of Granite City.

Granite City Mayor Randy Robison will serve as master of ceremonies.

In addition to Rotary, sponsors include Central Illinois Credit Union, St. Louis Guardian Savings Bank, Illinois Power, Magna Bank, Nestle Beverage Co., St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Suburban Journals of St. Louis and the Tri-City Port.

Early egg hunt

The Madison Community Action Group will hold an early Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Madison High School football field.

The hunt is for children aged 2 to 5 years and younger. Children should bring a basket or bag for their eggs. In addition to the eggs found, first and second-place prizes will be awarded.

The hunt is free. Kids can have their pictures taken with the Easter bunny for \$2.

Deaths

Theodore Berry
Robert Burns
Vernell Edwards
Robert Engeland
Loretta Hughes
Carroll Kimbro
Amelia Moss
Mary Rapp

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Lottery

Results in Illinois were:
March 31: 6-5-1; Pick 4: 1-9-7-2
Lotto Game: 07-10-15-18-19
Lotto Game: 03-06-10-14-18-50
March 30: 8-6-0; Pick 4: 6-8-2-7
March 29: 0-5-4; Pick 4: 5-1-7-3
Lotto Game: 03-18-19-21-22
March 28: 1-0-2; Pick 4: 5-6-4-1
March 27: 1-0-1; Pick 4: 3-3-2-5
Lotto Game: 03-30-36-38-50-52

75 years ago

April 2, 1918—
Workers were busy preparing the final section of Madison Avenue for paving from 18th through 26th Street, completing pavement of the thoroughfare. The road is "clear through to the northern limits of Granite City."

Trivia

How many tornadoes hit Illinois in 1974?

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Selph refuses plan to release file Offer 'blatantly political,' he says

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

Mayoral candidate Ron Selph will not consent to the release of information from a state police and grand jury investigation into an alleged leak of confidential information to the Granite City Police Department.

"I have no authority to release any investigation by a grand jury or the Division of Criminal Investigation," he said. "I haven't seen them myself, and (the investigation) involves other people." Selph said Tuesday.

The Granite City Council on Sunday voted to settle a lawsuit against Selph in exchange for Selph's consent to release the information.

While the City Council said it is "interested only in the truth,"

and Mayor Von Von Deere Cruse said that the settlement offer was "attempted to clear the matter up, once and for all." Selph called the request "blatantly political."

"It is outrageous," Selph said.

"Some members of our City Council didn't like the outcome of our American judicial process because it was cleared up," he said.

"Since they don't like the results, now they try to try me in the newspaper. The people and voters won't be fooled by these tactics," Selph said.

Selph then went on the attack. He called the whole matter "an

obvious attempt to divert the voters' attention from their collective performance as city officials."

"This is the City Council who allowed a hazardous-waste treatment facility a half-mile from a grade school, and the city took the equivalent of 52 percent on the homeowner, and tried to deceive us and call it a 'user fee,' and stopped the (private) sewage system for the home owners," Selph said.

"Most members of the City Council voted to double their own salary without cutting back on basic services like police, fire and street departments.

"They have demonstrated over and over again that they are more interested in their own political gains than caring for

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Feds were not given state report on Selph

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

White mayoral candidate Ron Selph says that his employment with the U.S. marshal's office is proof that he has done nothing wrong, city officials have raised questions about what the federal background investigation included.

They say the details of a state investigation into an alleged leak of information in the Granite City Police Department were not made available to a federal investigator when he conducted a background investigation into Selph prior to Selph's employment with the marshal's office.

"Nothing regarding the investigation was released. We told the investigator that if he obtained a specific release from Ron Selph, he could have the information requested. The investigator never

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Early release plan is blasted

Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine and two local police chiefs are opposing a bill that would give inmates more chances to get out of prison earlier.

"It's absolutely terrible. People shouldn't get rewards when they are sent to prison," Haine said in referring to a bill now pending in the Illinois Senate. The bill would give additional time off for participation in education, drug counseling and work programs.

The measure was endorsed by a Senate committee last week as part of a package of bills advocated by a governor's task force on prison overcrowding.

Gov. Jim Edgar and state Corrections Director Howard Peters are backing the additional credits to reduce an exploding prison population.

But Haine argued that the measure only makes sentencing an illusion and suggested there should be a "truth in sentencing law" that would require convicted felons to serve the time imposed.

Attala County Circuit Judge Charlie Bridick said he agreed with Haine and called the proposal "another ludicrous plan (local law enforcement) will end up suffering for."

The bill would allow inmates to earn 10 percent of sentences for each day working or spent in an educational or substance abuse program. Inmates already get a full day off for each day of "good time," staying within prison rules.

Haine is on a committee appointed by Attorney General Roland Burris to recommend ways of implementing a sentencing-right-to-parole amendment that appears to be voted in November. He said the committee is evaluating the added good-conduct proposal.

The task force contended the additional credits would not add to prison overcrowding but would bring more inmates into the programs and help them prepare for release.

Haine said the department's response to overcrowded prisons should be to build more prisons and not let criminals out on the streets earlier.

Bridick said that when a person is 35 years old and has spent 15 of them in prison, "it gets to the point that prison is the only thing they know, and that person becomes an expert at being a prison survivor."

"Like Bill Haine said, this is rewarding them for being in prison and being able to work the system," Bridick said. "A guy gets sentenced to two years, he gets one-for-one good time anyway, he gets another half-for-one for enrolling in some programs and he's got six months off in six months."

And often, Bridick said, in another six months he is back in prison working the system again.

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Mobile home law faces challenge

Madison County officials may have to change county zoning laws regarding mobile homes if they want to avoid trouble with the federal government.

The county code makes a distinction between modular homes, those brought to the site and built to be permanently located, and mobile homes, that can be put on a wheel and moved away.

Mobile homes require a special-use permit to be placed in residential areas.

This distinction appears to violate federal law, according to a letter sent to the county recently by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

If the county is going to allow one type of manufactured home in residential areas, it cannot allow another type, the letter stated.

Cities and villages, however, which are generally unaffected by county zoning regulations, appear to have power over how to treat mobile homes.

Under county regulations, certain types of manufactured homes — homes made in a factory and trucked to the home

site — are allowed in residential areas while others are prohibited without a special-use permit.

"We regulate mobile homes based on location," said Joe Parente, county building, zoning and environmental director.

County officials could either end the special-use permit requirements and begin allowing both types of homes in residential areas.

Or the county could change the zoning code to prohibit all manufactured homes except in areas zoned for that kind of housing.

Parente and other county officials declined to comment on what possible action might be taken, if any, until they have time to consider HUD's letter.

The law does not prevent officials from restricting mobile homes to certain areas through zoning regulations in cities and villages in the county.

Granite City allows new mobile homes only in areas zoned as mobile home parks.

— From the Alton Telegraph



Fun in the park — Three-year-old Andrew Briner rides a hippo at Wilson Park on Tuesday afternoon. His sister, Amy Steen, is behind him.

Mayoral candidates are profiled

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Granite City Mayor Von Von Deere Cruse's announcement that he would not seek a third term prompted a record number of candidates — ten — to vie for the position.

On April 20, voters will make their choice among the ten.

Today, Page 8A of the Press-Record presents profiles of all ten candidates, detailing their background and achievements, as well as their positions on issues affecting the city.

The Press-Record/Journal will also sponsor a debate among the candidates. The debate will be held at 7 p.m. Monday in the Granite City High School Auditorium.

All ten candidates have said they will attend.

The candidates for mayor are Alderman Paul Fiske, Alderman Jeff Worthen, Alderman Walter Milton, businessman and bodybuilder Dan Bellcoff, Alderman Archie Lapidus, Alderman Dan Brown, Joseph McGinnis, former assistant police chief Ron Selph, James Bailey Sr. and Steve Bell.

Donations presented to Madison Khouri League

Proceedings for houses at 1723 Fifth Street, 1927 Harry St.

They also voted unanimously to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and grant a zoning variance to allow a home mail-order business to operate at a house in the 1800 block of Rhodes Street.

Health and Humane Officer Grover Brinkley warned residents that raccoons in the area had been reported to be suffering from distemper. He said this is an airborne disease and that pets can be infected even if they aren't bitten.

Brannan also reminded residents that grass is beginning to grow and the city's legal limit for grass height is five inches. Brannan said some discretion is used in enforcement for elderly residents who are not always able to mow their lawns and asked people to follow city rules and help get it ready for play.

In other action, Bellcoff announced that the Madison Lions Club had donated \$300 to replace the water heater at the Granite City Recreation Center.

He said two water heaters were purchased, one for the kitchen area and one for the restrooms and showers.

The aldermen voted unanimously to begin condemnation proceedings for houses at 1723 Fifth Street, 1927 Harry St.

Brannan said the city will hold its annual dog clinic at the city garage on Third Street April 17. He said Bellemore Animal Clinic will provide shots at about \$2 less than usual and he will sell city animal licenses.

Utilities seek expanded horizons

SPRINGFIELD — A bill to allow electric utilities to venture unregulated into other energy pursuits would mean added rate increases for consumers, a watchdog group claims.

The bill now before the House would allow the state's electric utilities to diversify into new energy-related business ventures whose profits would not be regulated by the Illinois Commerce Commission. It passed the House Public Utilities Committee 9-3 Tuesday.

The legislation is being pushed by the Chicago area electric supplier, Commonwealth Edison Co., but it would benefit utilities statewide.

Citizens Board Associate-Director Martin Cohen alleged it was "the most dangerous bill for consumers."

"It sets the stage for massive rate hikes in years to come," he said.

Edison President Sam Skinner heatedly dismissed Cohen's claims as "one of the greatest distortions of truth ever heard in this building."

Skinner, who argued 36 other states allowed utility to diversify further than the Illinois proposal, said the measure would strengthen the existing customer base.

Cohen, however, said utilities that diversified in other states ran up big losses in new ventures and could end up bankrupt in Illinois if that could result in electric ratepayers covering the losses.

The CUB official also contend ed that utilities like the new authority to use subsidiaries to earn greater profits from their biggest customers.

That would leave residential customers carrying a bigger burden to pay for the fixed costs of the power-generating and distribution system, he contended.

Skinner countered that the utilities were just asking for a chance to compete for business outside the state on an equal basis with other power suppliers.

He also said the increased revenue would be offset eventually by allowing companies to spread their costs.

"This should be called the residential customer protection bill," he said.

In addition, after Tuesday, heavy opposition prompted the withdrawal of a bill that would have added 8 cents per month to a phone bill to support a state crime control response system.

Committee members noted the uproar a few years ago when the ICC added a monthly charge to phone bills to subsidize telephone service for the poor.

From the Alton Telegraph

Shell crew repairing leaking pipe

A Shell Oil Co. crew is repairing a pipe that leaked 1,680 gallons of furnace oil into a ditch at the South Roxana refinery.

The oil spilled from a pipe located very near and under the truck loading dock about 9 a.m. Monday, Shell spokesman Dave McKinney said.

"A mechanical malfunction may have caused the spill," McKinney said. "We're trying to find the exact cause."

The furnace oil leaked across a plant road into a ditch at the refinery, McKinney said.

A truck with vacuum hoses sucked the oil out of the ditch, McKinney said.

Mark Johnson of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency inspected the spill after Shell officials notified the agency.

"There is no threat to the environment," said Johnson of the IEPA's emergency response team. "Shell contained the spill and they're cleaning it out of the ditch."

From the Alton Telegraph

Bi-State plans route changes

The St. Clair County Transit District and Bi-State Development Agency are proposing changes on several bus routes and the operation of a new route, 374 Crosstown, effective June 14.

Changes are proposed for the following routes:

501 Caseyville, 502 Cahokia, 503 Collinsville-Barderville, 504 Belleville, 505 Loris, 507 Rosemont, 573 Washington Park, 576 Alta Vista, 577 Twentieth and Central, and 505X Waterloo Express.

Public hearings, locations, dates and times are:

Thursday, April 1, 7 p.m., Centreville City Hall, 500 Bond Avenue, Centreville.

Saturday, April 3, 10 a.m., Southern Illinois University, 411 Broadway, East St. Louis.

Tuesday, April 6, 5:15 p.m., St. Clair County Building.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Wagon, ho! — Kimberly Hotz leads her charges, Andy Clark, 4, in the wagon and Kurt Waters, 3, left, rear, and Tommy Clark, 3, around Wilson Park on Tuesday evening. Hotz babysits for the youngsters.

Director hits the road to sell voters on juvenile home tax

Steve Bowker may feel more like a traveling salesman than a juvenile home director as he goes on the road to sell voters on the need for a new detention center.

He is going out to these

meetings just to talk to people to make sure they are aware of what is involved in the bond issue and the problems we're facing.'

— Steve Bowker

their juveniles in the Madison County home.

Some critics of the home have said the county should not be wasting money on building out-of-county children.

Records, however, indicate the practice generated more than \$150,000 a year.

\$150,000 helps the juvenile home meet daily operating costs, costs that Bowker said would probably not diminish much if Madison County stopped accepting out-of-county inmates.

"It runs about the same to run a 21-bed facility as it would a 15-bed facility," so turning those kids away wouldn't really save money, he said. "It would cost us. We'd have to find that \$150,000 somewhere else in the budget," Bowker said.

Out-of-county fees made up a third of the juvenile home's \$920,000 budget last year. The expiration of the jail tax next year would offset most of the 2-cent juvenile home tax, he said.

Bowker said some confusion about the juvenile home proposal, however, seems to center around the county's practice of housing out-of-county juveniles.

The 21-bed home has an average of 15 Madison County juveniles a day, with the rest coming from other counties. Other counties pay \$70 a day plus transportation costs to put

records showed.

Earlier this week, Bowker spoke to property owners at a forum in Glen Carbon sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

"I think it went over well."

But the juvenile home referendum may get bogged down by an unrelated proposal on the ballot.

The \$29.9 million bond issue for the Edwardsville School District.

The district needs voter approval to build a new high school, a project that, all increase would cost some homeowners as much as \$135 a year.

Bowker was preceded at the podium of the League of Women Voters meeting by Edwardsville Superintendent Bob Stuart, who, like Bowker, was there to explain his position regarding the proposed tax increase.

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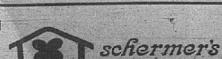
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Schermer's garden shop

By Bob State
Staff writer

Some Granite City aldermen are asking the state's attorney to file a lawsuit which would challenge the validity of a siting permit issued to Eticam.

Dan Brown, in a Dec. 3 letter to Madison County State's Attorney William Haine, has asked Haine to commence a *quo warranto* lawsuit challenging the validity of a plant siting permit issued to Eticam in January 1990.

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Annual benefit for museum — Jennifer Engelke and Chad Toeniskoetter don period clothing to be shown at the Old Six Mile Historical Society dinner dance on April 17. "Reflections of the Past" will be the theme of the event at St. Gregory's Armenian Hall. In addition to dinner, there will be a silent auction, dancing to the Nôtre-Ables and a fashion show featuring clothing of the late 1800s and early 1900s. Most of the clothing to be shown is from the permanent collection at the Old Six Mile Museum. Many of the models are members of the Historical Society. The museum at 3279 Maryville Road is open to the public at no charge on Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m., May through December. Proceeds from the annual dinner dance are used to maintain the museum. Tickets are available at Top's Bottoms Shop, 1343 19th St., the Chamber of Commerce office, 1831 Delmar Ave., or by calling 931-1243 or 931-3023.

Ethics bill designed to fail?

SPRINGFIELD — The most controversial ethics bill to pass an Illinois legislative committee is headed for the Senate, but a watchdog group says the bill may have been designed to fail.

The bill containing new disclosure provisions and numerous restrictions on campaign contributions was approved by the Senate Local Government and Elections Committee last week.

Tracey Litsay, executive director of Illinois Common Cause, a government ethics watchdog group, charged the bill was unnecessarily loaded with controversial "time bombs" so senators would have an excuse to vote against it.

She criticized committee chairman, Sen. Robert Raica, R-Chicago, for refusing to give a hearing to individual bills so each could be considered. Instead Raica and Republicans who control the committee insisted all campaign ethics measures be put into a single bill.

Litsay further charged that both Democrats and Republicans on the committee collaborated in loading the bill with numerous controversial provisions without debate. "They all know this is going to die."

She was particularly critical of an amendment added by Sen. Gary LaPaille, D-Chicago, who is also chairman of the state Democratic Party. His measure would require anyone

to file a statement more than a political candidate to fill out a form listing all investments in firms that did any business with the state.

Sen. Marty Butler, R-Park Ridge, objected that the provision could require many

contributors to try to determine the clients of firms, even though they may have invested in through mutual funds.

Litsay called it "unworkable" and questioned LaPaille's motives.

Sen. Walter Duduce, R-Chicago, charged LaPaille's "political godfather," House Speaker Michael Madigan, probably will kill any ethics legislation passed by the Senate anyway.

Other provisions of the bill that passed the committee included a section proposed by Sen. Vince Demuzio, D-Carlinville, that would ban any political contributions from people with interests in riverboat gambling, bingo parlors and insurance companies. Demuzio said he also intended to bar horse racing interests from making contributions but that provision was inadvertently left out.

— From the Alton Telegraph



Union man runs for mayor of Granite City



DAN MCGUIRE

GRANITE CITY, ILL. — A union man is running for mayor of this city. He is a member of the Teamsters Union in St. Louis and owner of the "Handbody Gym and Fitness Center."

Increasing job opportunities will be one of Dan McGuire's priorities and his program will include "showcasing the skilled labor force available in our town."

He has plans for an "open door" policy in the mayor's office as a "forum in which the everyday citizen may speak directly to the mayor."

McGuire also has plans for improvements in the election system for the police and fire chiefs, improvements to senior citizen programs, education, ambulance service, public welfare and toxic waste.

McGuire was one of many hardworking union volunteers

(Advertisement)

who worked to defeat the anti-union "right to work" effort in Missouri in 1978. His own local union, a Missouri local, is attempting to enlist support for him in Illinois.

He will have a fundraiser for McGuire on Feb. 8 (5:30 p.m. at Charlie's Restaurant, 5240 Nameoki Rd.). The election will be April 20.

McGuire is married and the father of two children.

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By RICK REED
Attorney At Law

When a person is injured on the job, he is usually entitled to certain benefits under the Workers' Compensation Act. An injured employee may be entitled to temporary total disability for the period of time he missed work, reasonable and necessary medical expenses and a sum award for the permanent nature of his disability.

Sometimes, the question arises as to whether a worker's injury occurred while he was walking off an employer's premises. In one recent case, a nurse was leaving the hospital where she worked and heading toward her car which was parked on a public parking lot. As she approached her vehicle, she was struck by another car which was leaving the parking lot. The question then arose as to whether she was entitled to Workers' Compensation benefits.

Illinois law provides that injuries which occur off the employer's premises are generally not compensable unless (1) the employee's primary duty required him to be away from his or her duties and (2) the employee is thereby exposed to a risk common to the general public but to a degree greater than other persons. One decided in 1988 an employee punched her time clock, walked approximately 20 feet, and exited the building

through a doorway she was instructed to use. As the employee was walking on the sidewalk outside the building near the free parking lot, she slipped and fell on ice. She was eventually hospitalized for back trouble, and two surgical operations were later performed.

The employer argued that her injuries were not compensable since they were sustained on private property. The Industrial Commission found that the access claimant used was the ordinary and usual way to leave and therefore incidental to her assigned duties. The Industrial Commission also found that the flurry of exiting employees, combined with the fact that the claimant had used a route which the claimant was more susceptible than the general public. The Industrial Commission thus concluded that the claimant's injury was compensable. This conclusion was later affirmed by the Appellate Court.

With regard to the nurse who was leaving the hospital in the example noted above, her case appears to be similar. The court ruled that the nurse was not exposed to a risk greater than required in the parking lot and that she was exposed to a greater risk than that of the public at large, her injury would also be compensable.

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SCC officials vow own plan to keep college operating

By Peggy O'Farrell
Staff writer

"I don't think that's an acceptable option," replied BAC President Joseph Cipri.

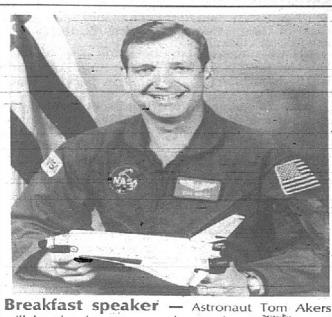
SCC supporters say the plan almost encourages voters to approve the merger.

SCC Trustee Norman Leiton called the proposal "most unfair" to SCC.

He pointed out there are no provisions for extra funding to go to SCC should it become autonomous. BAC officials said during the meeting that state legislators have indicated they are not willing to continue funding SCC at its current levels. SCC's budget does not include any local tax revenue.

"You are telling us that if (we) (vote for my) you will get the \$300,000. We can't win. This proposal is very seductive. It almost encourages the citizens of East St. Louis to vote no," Leiton said.

(See SCC, Page 8A)



Breakfast speaker — Astronaut Tom Akers will be the keynote speaker at the Area Mayors' Prayer Breakfast at 7 a.m. Friday at the Granite City Township Building, 2060 Delmar Ave.

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Opinion

Editorials

Dying a slogan death

"What this country needs is a good two-cent cigar." "We should stop being concerned with the age of rocks and concern ourselves with the Rock of Ages." "Would you buy a used car from the man?" "I'm your heart, you know he's right." You're wondering, "How does this affect me?" Tell the truth: When was the last time a campaign slogan — no matter how catchy and memorable — actually swayed your vote?

A longtime political maxim says the most effective campaign slogan is "Three cheers for John Smith!" repeated over and over and over. The voters, so the theory goes, are so sick of the campaign process by election day that issues no longer matter.

All the voters want is to be able to feel good about the person for whom they are voting. And, the theory assumes, with most politicians the less people know about them the better they will feel.

With 10 mayoral candidates out wooing voters in Granite City, most voters are probably getting more than their fill of politics this election. And, undoubtedly, some have reached their political saturation point. It may be that, by election day, April 20, some voters will suddenly remember they have to wash their hair or have a root canal. Many others will go through the motions, but really not care.

That's a real shame. The truth is that, when you get past the slogans, the sign wars, the whispered mud-slinging and the name-calling, the 10 candidates are really nice guys with a lot to offer the voters of Granite City. We want the voters to feel good about the person they vote for, not the candidate. The voters can do that by learning who the candidates are and where they stand. A good way to start is to read the candidate profiles in today's issue.

Then go hear the candidates speak for themselves. A good place to see all 10 candidates at once (yes, this is a shameless self-promotion) will be the *Press-Record/Journal* debate April 5 at the Granite City High School auditorium.

Finally, remember that you are selecting a person to serve as mayor. Not a platform. Not an idea. Not a record. Certainly not a slogan. But, a real person whose personal hopes, fears and dreams for the future should match, support, or at least not conflict, with your own.

Which candidate is the best for you? Meet them and find out.

Group says budget is bloated

(The following opinion piece was written by James Tobin, president of National Taxpayers United of Illinois.)

In early Springfield politicians passed the largest state tax increase in the nation, \$1.3 billion, creating the Illinois recession and destroying more than 10,000 jobs each year since then.

Now they say the income tax should be increased again because they made mistakes earlier.

But where was the budget of the State of Illinois actually cut? Is there anyone alive old enough to remember?

When I say "cut," I don't use the word the way politicians do, when they mean "cut the rate of increase." I mean "cut" the way it's defined in Webster's Dictionary. Certainly not within recent memory.

In 1988, the budget for the state was \$20.7 billion. By 1994, despite the "budget cuts" put in effect by Springfield politicians, the state budget will have risen to more than \$29 billion. That's a mind-boggling 40 percent increase since 1988.

Where is the money going? Taxpayers have not seen their services from the state increase 40 percent since 1988.

Illinois taxpayers have this sinking feeling that they are getting back less than 25 cents for every dollar that they are forced to send to Springfield in right.

Except for those who have jobs or contracts with the state or local governments, taxpayers are getting precious little for their tax dollars. If their children are attending private schools, they are getting even less.

Twenty-three percent of the state budget in 1992 went to education bureaucrats, and 21 percent to public aid providers and recipients. That's 44 percent of the entire \$27.6 billion state budget.

Test scores of public school students have been dropping for three decades.

"Honesty requires me to ask you why you persist in funding an industry whose labor productivity by most standards is lower now than in 1940," says Illinois University Professor Richard Vedder.

Practically all studies have shown that school achievement is not correlated with tax rates spent per pupil, but with the educational level and incomes of their parents, who impart values to their children that include the important goal of being well-educated.

One does not raise the income level of these parents (and the scores of their children) by raising their taxes.

Betterly, Illinois taxpayers are making good use of tax dollars. It depends on who defines "good."

Education bureaucrats enthusiastically spend every tax dollar extracted from skeptical taxpayers. They even show a certain amount of flair in carrying out their mission.

Recently in Morton High School District 201, where some shop and gym teachers make more than \$61,000 for 8½ months of employment, the Morton High School board and staff held a summer weekend workshop, not at a motel or hotel in their community, but at the Abbey, a honeymooners' resort in Wisconsin, staying in three days what would normally cost \$200 per night.

In the 1991-92 school year, the school board and administrators ran up \$2,639 in credit card expenses and \$19,276 in travel expenses.

A 1991 study by National Taxpayers United of Hinsdale High School District 201 revealed that the school administration, which includes 1,500 students, were served by six librarians, receiving an average annual gross salary of \$75,140, higher than the salaries of the librarians at the Library of Congress.

At the two high schools, \$100,000 was divided among teachers to coach the football teams to victory. This was on top of the hefty athletic department fringe benefits, \$30,000 to supplement the incomes of the lucky staffers who got to coach the cheerleader and pom-pom squads.

Currently Hinsdale High School District 201, for an 8½-month school year, an average gross salaries (including stipends of gym teachers) is \$71,337, and four gym teachers receive gross salaries of more than \$30,000. One gym teacher receives a gross salary of \$36,426.

Taxpayers should ask why the number of Chicago Public School employees rose 12 percent from 1988 to 1992, from 41,265 to 46,257, while enrollment dropped 5 percent in the same period.

According to "Teach America," despite the "reform" act of 1988, the Chicago Public School budget rose an astounding 52 percent from fiscal year 1987 to 1988, from \$1.7 billion to \$2.6 billion.

If it isn't the public sector, system in Illinois is put on a strict diet.

Private industry has slimmed down, become more efficient, and more accountable to its clients.

The same must be demanded of public schools and of their generous sugar daddy, the state government.

The state budget should be cut — truly cut.

The state income tax should be rolled back to 1989 levels: The "temporary" \$400 million income tax surcharge should not be reinstated, and the "permanent" \$400 million income tax surcharge should be rolled back.

Finally, the legislature should reinstate the property tax double deduction for homeowners.

These actions would restore the more than 10,000 jobs that have been lost each year since 1989 and would improve parents' income and their children's education. Taxpayers should demand no less.



Letters

Strong case for a juvenile home

TO THE EDITOR:

As the superintendent of the Madison County Detention Home, I would like to clarify some of the issues related to the April 20 bond issue vote regarding the detention home.

The State of Illinois has been notifying Madison County on an annual basis since 1986 that the detention home is not meeting Illinois Department of Corrections detention standards. The statutory deadline to bring the detention home into compliance was Jan. 1, 1992.

Concerning the results of annual inspections have been referred to the Illinois Attorney General's Office for action.

The attorney general is now informing us that legal action is imminent if the facility is not brought up to code. The lawsuit would most likely result in the closure of the unit until the building is upgraded, or the closure of the entire facility.

Without the detention operation, Madison County would have to transport its juvenile offenders to one of the state's 10 juvenile homes or bed space could be found.

Nearly all the detention homes in the state are routinely overcrowded and have little or no bed space available.

State law prohibits the housing of juvenile offenders in adult jails.

Without the detention operation,

Madison County facilities are the only two detention homes south of Springfield, so now all the juvenile offenders would have to be transported as far north as Galesburg or the Chicago area again, if bed space could be found.

Unless the math skills that BAC has taught me are incorrect, that would be \$120 I would be losing if circumstances forced me to withdraw with four classes. I could lose \$480 during one semester.

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How much tuition from these withdrawals is currently not being refunded to the students?

Madison County Board of Trustees

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Grantsville City, Granite City, Illinois Area College student

school to charge its students \$5 per semester hour when they would need drop classes.

On the surface, it seems relatively innocent; but a student can be fined anywhere from \$5 for a one-hour class being dropped up to \$100 for 20 hours dropped. Refunds may later be applied by a three-member review committee.

Unlike our sister schools like St. Louis Community College or local four-year universities in Edwardsville, we do not receive regressive tuition reimbursements for dropped classes throughout the semester.

Currently, BAC students are penalized the entire tuition sum for a class that is dropped after the second week of a semester. Perhaps this is a fact that the board has overlooked when comparing to its recent decision.

If I were to drop a three-hour class in the third week of classes, at \$35 per semester hour, I would lose \$105 in tuition I paid, but another \$15 that the school would be fineing me for the privilege of dropping that class.

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TO THE EDITOR:

It is time to say, "Thank you" to the state for voting 76 to 23 to prevent people inflicted with the AIDS virus from immigrating to the United States.

Although our own senators from Illinois, Paul Simon and Carol Moseley Braun, disagreed with the vote, the vote was a courageous and sound decision.

What is the cost of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome and its spiraling costs, why in the world would we want to admit individuals into the country who carry the disease?

There is an argument for and a need for research and development to cure citizens who have the disease. We all know the disease is a scourge and treatment are very expensive. We as individual citizens realize there is also a limited supply of money.

Shouldn't it be more important to our own citizens and a cure to the disease before accepting the rest of the world's AIDS victims?

If the disease was not contagious (like cancer is not), then the senators could accentuate their humanitarian arguments with more force.

However, they are putting many citizens in danger of testing positive simply by allowing more foreign carriers of the virus into the country.

The real humanitarian thing to do is to live in a cure while taking care of our own.

It is unbelievable that, during a presidential election in which the candidates were promising to look after the world instead of at home, the world

Thus, I was surprised when the board recently passed a measure that would enable the

same must be demanded of public schools and of their generous sugar daddy, the state government.

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Bringing in more AIDS-infected foreign before finding a cure is not the kind of long-term investment in AIDS we need. With no cure in sight, a steady stream of AIDS-infected foreigners is indeed a long-term investment.

If Sens. Simon and Moseley Braun can explain to me how allowing AIDS-infected immigrants into America will help solve AIDS, I might let some of them in. I would be in support of their policy. Since they cannot, what are they thinking?

JOHN SHIMKUS

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Lifestyle

Granite City Press-Record, Thursday, April 1, 1993—5A

Ten candidates seeking mayoral post

Paul Fisk

Cites wide range of experience

Paul Fisk, 50, lives in the 2500 block of East 25th Street with his wife, Dorothy.

Born in North Venice, Fisk has lived in Granite City for 40 years. He is a housing rehabilitation inspector for Madison County, and has also worked as a union meat-cutter for the American Forked Beef of Madison and for Kanger stores.

In addition to his public school education, Fisk attended trade school for four and a half years, and has taken courses in building structures, electrical, plumbing, heating and weatherization. He is a member of Energy Engineers and a certified weatherization auditor.

Fisk served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1952 to 1956, when he was honorably discharged. He earned the Korean Conflict Ribbon and the United Nations Ribbon.

He is a member of the American Association of Retired Persons, co-founder of the Granite City Housing and Rehabilitation Board, past president of the East Granite Home Improvement Association, past member of the Granite City Ambassadors and past member of the Granite City Sports Hall of Fame.

He is a member of City Temple Assembly of God Church.

The senior member of the City Council, Fisk has been an



Paul Fisk

alderman for 14 years. He is chairman of the Sewage Treatment Plant Committee. (See FISK, Page 6A)

Walter Milton

Strong business background

Walter Milton, 59, lives in the 2900 block of Wabash Avenue with his wife, Peggy. They have five adult children.

Born in Stewart County, Tenn., Milton has lived in the city for more than 40 years. He is a territorial supervisor manager for Pepsi-Cola in Alton. He has also worked at Granite City Steel.

Milton holds a degree in industrial management from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and a degree in marketing from the Pepsi-Cola Management Institute.

He is a member of the Granite City Rotary, the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce, the Cahokia Mounds Museum

Society, Elks Lodge 1063 and PEO Club 1226.

He is a member of First Baptist Church.

In addition to his seven and a half years as alderman, Milton also served on the Granite City Park District Board of Commissioners, and on the board of directors of the Illinois Recreation Council.

He is chair of the Aldermanic Finance Committee, and also serves on the Street and Alley Committee.

He said his experience at "putting together" finances, contract negotiations, strong business background and experience working with the county, state and federal



Walter Milton

government make him qualified for the job. (See MILTON, Page 7A)

Archie Lopardus

Business experience helpful

Archie Lopardus, 59, was born in Granite City and is a lifelong resident. He and his wife, Judie, have four children and seven grandchildren.

Lopardus, owner of Fat Archie's Pizza in East Granite, has worked in the past in car sales, as a laborer with Local 42 in St. Louis, in the motorcycle and pool hall business, and at General Steel from 1959-1979.

After attending local schools, Lopardus also attended Belleville Area College for a year.

Lopardus was unsuccessful in his bid for mayor four years ago in a three-man race with Von Dee Cruse and Mac Warfield.

He cited his business experience and his belief and faith in God as his qualifications.

"I'm 52 years of age and have lived in Granite City all these years. I feel I have the right and I have God on my side and I know how to run a business."

"I have owned Fat Archie's Pizza for three years, starting with nothing and taking it to the top. With your help, we will take Granite City to the top," Lopardus said.

"I feel that it is time to straighten out the political warfare that is going on, it is time to take control of the



Archie Lopardus

aldermen and stop them from going to the heads of departments and trying to run (See LOPARDUS, Page 6A)

Joseph McGinniss

'Sweeping reforms' needed

Joseph McGinniss, 53, lives in the 2600 block of Marshall Avenue. He has three adult children.

Born in Marion, Ill., McGinniss has lived in Granite City for 25 years. An oil refinery worker, he retired with a disability from Teamsters Local 618, where he was an assistant business representative.

He has taught through the 10th grade in public schools. McGinniss has taken General Education Development courses and labor law classes and has studied the Bible.

McGinniss is a former precinct committeeman and former Library District Board

member. He cited his leadership ability as his best qualification.

"I intend to offer the city and its citizens quality leadership dedicated to progress, growth and honest government," McGinniss said.

He said there are "32,000 reasons" he chose to seek the office — the residents of Granite City.

"It is time for our elected leaders to lead, our city workers to work and our citizens to unite." McGinniss said.

Citing crime, tax leaves, city services, loss of business, declining population, deteriorating infrastructure and wasteful spending as issues,



Joseph McGinniss

McGinniss said "drastic changes" and "sweeping reforms" are needed in the city. (See MCGINNIS, Page 6A)

James Bailey

Cites ability to solve problems

James Bailey, 29, lives in the 2200 block of Harding Boulevard. He has a son, age nine.

Born in Granite City, Bailey is a lifelong resident. He is a crane operator for Granite City Sauter, and has worked in the past in construction and in the plastics industry.

He is an eighth-grade graduate and has a General Education Development high school equivalency certificate. He has also taken welding courses at Belleville Area College.

He is a member of West 22nd Street Baptist Church.

He said his ability to relate to people and find solutions to problems are his primary

qualifications.

"I have worked for the union and with unions to solve problems between union and management," Bailey said.

He also said he "cannot be bought."

"The money doesn't mean much to me," he said.

If elected, he said, he pledged to return one-half of his salary as mayor to the city to be used to build a youth center.

"People need more things done for them," he said. "I will listen to all the people, and provide equal opportunities to have things done," Bailey said.

He said he would eliminate wasteful spending, such as the recently completed \$47,900



James Bailey

gazebo" on Madison Avenue and a new, \$37,000 roof on the 10-year-old police station. (See BAILEY, Page 7A)

Jeff Worthen

Background in city affairs

Jeff Worthen, 38, lives in the 3300 block of Franklin Avenue with his wife, Cynthia, and their children, Ryan, 12, Jessica, 10, and Kyle, 6.

Born in Granite City, Worthen is a lifelong resident of the city.

He is a bricklayer at Granite City Steel and has worked in the part-time as a bricklayer through Local 65.

In addition to attending public schools, Worthen has attended Belleville Area College and Peru State University.

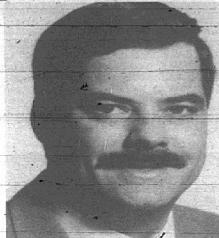
Worthen is a member of Knights of Columbus Council 1098, Eagles Aerie 1126 and Elks Lodge 1063.

He is a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

In addition to his eight years as alderman, Worthen served eight years on the Granite City Park District Board of Commissioners. He is chairman of the aldermanic Planning and Zoning Committee, and serves on the Downtown and Finance committees.

He has his dedication and 16 years of experience as qualifications.

"As an alderman I have served on many committees, such as Parks and Water, where I implemented the firefighter/paramedic program as it exists today; the Negotiation Committee, where I successfully negotiated seven union contracts; and the three



Jeff Worthen

major committees on which I now serve.

"As a member of these (See WORTHEN, Page 6A)

Dan McGuire

Cites absence of political ties

Dan McGuire, 34, lives in the 2600 block of State Street with his wife, Joanne, and their children, Danielle, 6, and Jason, 3.

Born in Ohio, McGuire has lived in this area for six years. He is an entrepreneur and the owner and operator of Hardbody Gym and Fitness in Pontoon Beach.

He is also vice president of Titan Construction Co. He previously worked as a laborer with International Local 110, and as a fitness consultant, and has done film and print work as a member of the Talent Plus Agency.

A high school graduate, McGuire has attended various

business seminars and given lectures to youth on motivation and positive thinking. He is the author of a book on nutrition.

McGuire is a member of the Armenian Apostolic Church.

McGuire said his lack of political experience is a plus.

"Nowhere does the Constitution state that one must be experienced to run for public office. In fact, maybe that is one reason why our government is having some problems," McGuire said.

Among the programs McGuire said he would establish are a safe, drug- and alcohol-free place for young people to socialize; economic assistance for senior citizens in the form of reduced



Dan McGuire

taxes; an open-door policy one day per month when residents could speak directly to him (See MCGUIRE, Page 6A)

Dan Brown

Cites education, experience

Dan Brown, 53, lives in the 2800 block of Wible Drive with his wife, Rosemarie.

Born in St. Louis, Brown has lived in the city for 10 years. He is an attorney in St. Louis County, and owns Van Arch and Associates Public Relations, Inc., in Granite City. He is the former president of DBD Ltd., a \$10,000,000 per year construction disbursement company.

Brown has a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Missouri, and a law degree from St. Louis University.

He is a member of the Granite City Board, past president of the Granite City Ambassadors, on the board of directors for

Granite City Junior Achievement, member of Masonic Lodge #53, Scottish Rite Bodies, Elks Lodge 1063, Almad Temple Shrine, Tri-City Shrine Club, Elks Lodge 1063, Eagles Aerie 1126, Granite City Senior Social Club and American Association of Retired Persons.

He is the Christian faith.

Brown has been an alderman for 10 years. He is chairman of the Legal and Legislative Committee, and also sits on the Street and Alley and the Traffic and Lighting committee.

He cited education, intelligence, and experience in both business and government as his qualifications.



Dan Brown

"I intend to return control of City Hall to the general public so that our city can stem the loss (See BROWN, Page 6A)

Ron Selph

Cites government experience

Ron Selph, 46, lives in the 3200 block of Westchester Drive with his wife, Karen. They have two adult children.

Born in Granite City, Selph is currently on leave from the U.S. marshal's office, where he is a deputy.

He also teaches at Belleville Area College. He retired in 1991 after more than 20 years of service with the Granite City Police Department, having attained the rank of assistant chief.

Selph holds an associate degree from Belleville Area College and a bachelor's degree from McKendree College.

He is a member of the Granite City Center United Methodist Church.

Selph cited his experience in city government as a city employee and as an administrator and his record of community service as his

City Rotary, Elks Lodge 1063 and American Legion Post 199.

He has voluntarily served community service organizations such as the Boy Scouts, Math Services, the Phoenix Crisis Center and United Way.

He served as president of Police Local 139, trustee of the Granite City Federal Employees Credit Union, and an assistant coach of the high school track team.

He is a member of Niedrichsburg United Methodist Church.

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Ron Selph

qualifications. He pointed out that he has never before run for political office (See SELPH, Page 6A)

Steve Bolling

Innovative ideas promised

Steve Bolling, 23, lives in the 1700 block of Poplar Street with his wife, Freda.

Born in Chicago, Bolling has lived in Granite City since 1986.

He is a laborer at Nestle Beverage Co., where he has been employed since April 18.

Bolling received a General Education Development high school equivalency certificate in 1980, and has since taken classes at Belleville Area College.

He is a member of the Machinists Union Local 680.

He cited his new ideas and lack of political ties as his qualifications.

"I have no pretentious posture.

I am a working man trying to

bring City Hall back to the grassroots level.

"I don't like some of the things that are done in this city, and I think I can change, for the better, our community with my educational plans," Bolling said.

He also proposed establishing a municipal lottery, the proceeds of which would be used to fund post-high school education for Granite City residents.

"It may be a somewhat radical idea, but some of our children need radical assistance right now," Bolling said of his plan.

"I half of all Granite City residents buy three tickets per week, \$2.8 million in revenue would be created," he said. Those



Steve Bolling

funds would enable 600 students to attain a two-year post-high school degree, and leave about (See BOLLING, Page 7A)

Brown

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of population and industry and begin an era of new growth. City Hall decisions have for too long been based on political considerations rather than what the city needs," Brown said.

He said he was "tired of high taxes and business-as-usual in City Hall" when he ran for alderman four years ago, and that he is still running for mayor for the exact same reason.

Brown said the city's population has dropped 25 percent in the last two decades and the local tax rate ranks in the top 2 percent of all Illinois cities.

"It's not hard to figure out why the people are voting with their feet and leaving the city," he said.

He cited his record as an alderman as proof that he has the taxpayers' interest at heart.

Lupardus

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them. It is also time to trim some of the fat from the city appointees," he said.

He said that disposal of waste and leaves and tree limbs are the biggest issues the city faces right now.

"We need to build a waste disposal plant in our area to take care of this matter, and in doing so we would cut a great deal of jobs. We also would have all the towns around us in our back pocket, as this would bring in revenue from all the towns around Granite City."

"With these revenues, we could have better fire, ambulance and police protection. We could give the street department more money and so on," he said.

"The city should run like a business. If I am elected mayor, I will be the boss and will run

"I have consistently voted for the taxpayer," he said, citing votes against establishing a garage collection point against hiring a new city employee against a "\$45,000 gazebo" and against "deficit budget after deficit budget."

"Taxes, whether real estate, sales or property taxes, can not be raised. Deficit budgets will become a thing of the past and long-term financial plans will be established... City government, you once again, be responsible to the needs of the people and not to the wants of the politicians," Fisk said.

Brown said he would funnel more tax-free money along with Community Development funds, into neighborhoods to raze derelict buildings and clean alleys. "Plants like Eticam will not be allowed to sneak into our town," he said.

the city like it should be run. This city should be a money-making town.

I have raised four wonderful children and we have seven wonderful grandchildren. My wife and I would make a beautiful first lady that Granite City can be proud of.

"My wife and I and our children are Christian folk. We let God lead our lives. I know how to get things done," Lupardus said.

He said he favors contract buying for the trash, waste and eight men to provide city garbage service. He also favors eliminating the \$6 per month garbage fee.

"We're already overtaxed," he said.

"God is my partner," Lupardus said.

McGuire

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about their concerns; and the development of the "discover your house concept" — a tourist-type attraction for school-age children.

McGuire said he would pursue job creation by attracting industry, thereby improving the city's tax base.

Remember, success doesn't come to you. You go to it," he said.

McGuire proposes a new approach to the selection of department heads. He said he will form a committee, consisting of police officers and firefighters, to recommend a number of possible choices.

After written and oral exami-

nations are given the mayor and city council would come to a consensus on the new police and fire chiefs, he said.

He cited his strength, youth, integrity, honesty and straightforwardness, and his business experience as his qualifications.

"I belong to no one's political agenda. I have no special-interest groups to answer to. I am a fresh face with different ideas and new solutions," McGuire said.

"I intend to give government back to the people, who conduct their business in an honest and straightforward manner, with only the people to answer to. The meaning of democracy is 'government by the people,' for the people and of the people," McGuire said.

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**Fisk**

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also serves on the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Economic Development Committee.

He cited his wide range of public service activities, including community organizations and 14 years as alderman as his qualifications, and has emphasized his experience, strong community roots, independence and character during the campaign.

"I have gained unmatched insight into the function of city government and uniquely prepared to meet all of the challenges," Fisk said.

If elected, he said, he would review and analyze the findings of the yet-to-be-completed Melville management review and implement the study's workable proposals.

He said he would make necessary personnel changes, for example, "if the public can be better served by three people rather than six."

He said the city's financial

condition and the continued delivery of emergency services are the two biggest issues facing the city.

"My campaign is built around the theme of 'Building the Bridge to Our Future.' Our campaign must continue to move forward in the past and in the future. I have participated in formulating concrete solutions to many of these problems," Worthen then said.

"I strongly believe the next mayor should be one who knows the real problems facing our city, and has the ability to solve them. One who has real solutions and not just theories."

"Our city is no different from most cities throughout this country. It will face a real challenge to maintain quality services while revenues from the state and federal levels decrease and, at the same time, costly state and federal mandates take effect," Worthen said.

He said he would develop new revenue streams without raising taxes or adding additional fees to our citizens.

"We can do this by asking that a moratorium be conducted, by developing a trash-to-energy plant located in Granite City, in excess of \$12,700,000, more than \$9 million is appropriated for salaries and benefits of city employees and another \$84,000 for expense accounts.

"It's easy to see and understand why we need to make drastic changes and act rapidly," McGuiness said.

Worthen

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implementing a sludge and leaf recycling program that takes two cost items and turns them into a profit, and we must expand our tax base to encourage continued development in our downtown area, along the Route 3 corridor and by creating a Tax Increment Finance District on Niedringhaus Avenue," he said.

"We must ensure that we are getting the best bang for our tax dollar by developing quality circles that allow employees into existing cost-saving incentive programs and controlling our expenses by centralizing our purchases and our maintenance of city vehicles," Worthen said.

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government.

"While some candidates will avoid and skirt the issues, I encourage the citizens to ask questions and demand answers" from the candidates, he said.

He said that, of a city budget

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•Milton

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safety.

"As a member of the City Council for seven and one-half years, I have helped to make a difference in progressive improvements in Granite City."

"As you know, we can make a greater difference and continue to make this a healthy, viable community in which to enjoy life and encourage our families to grow."

"The retention and expansion of our basic businesses/industries and the attraction of new businesses/industries and jobs that will provide better than improvement of the local economy and the quality of life in our city can best be accomplished through strong leadership."

"It must provide police and fire protection, including paramedics, that is optimally staffed and equipped. The incidence of crime, prevalence of drugs, frequency of traffic accidents and disastrous fires suggest that we need more and better protection, not less."

"It is the duty of the office of the mayor to oversee the efficient operation of all departments of the city government in order that an adequate budget is available to provide optimal staff and equipment for public

•Selph

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office, and said he has no support from "special-interest groups."

"We need to stop making our city government a forum for political infighting and pull together to address the issues with a clear head and not with concerns for political repercussions," he said.

"Growth, security, stability and a great place to live are our goals," Selph said.

"I intend to improve the quality of life for our citizens and the safety of our community for our current and future citizens."

"I have a great concern in the direction our city is taking in the erosion of services, interests in taxes, dues between our city departments are all adversely affecting our citizens."

"As your mayor, I will provide the necessary leadership in making good policy decisions — decisions the other candidates will abdicate to their constituents."

"The past eight years have been exciting and challenging and I pledge that, if elected, I will strive to see that the taxpayers get the best possible return for their tax dollar," Milton said.

"It is the duty of the office of the mayor to oversee the efficient operation of all departments of the city government in order that an adequate budget is available to provide optimal staff and equipment for public

use."

"My desire is to see our city provide and maintain an environment that will encourage and affect our citizens and our youth confidence to invest in their homes and raise their families," Selph said.

Pointing out that the moral race has become so narrow, he said, "at least eight current aldermen will return to city government after the election."

Selph said that his immediate priority would be "to end the wounds created by this election," and "establish a dialogue" that would lead to greater accomplishments.

He said that administrative costs must be streamlined, but that vital emergency services must be maintained.

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Rev. Lindell Browning and his wife, Kay Browning, missionaries living in Israel, will be featured at the 10:45 a.m. service Sunday, April 4, at the Granite City First Church of the Nazarene, 1000 Madison St.

Lindell Browning is a graduate of Olivet Nazarene College in Kankakee and Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Mo.

Kay Browning, a former Granite City resident, is a graduate of Olivet and Bethany Nazarene College in Bethany, Okla.

The Brownings were appointed as missionaries in 1979 and have been in Israel since 1981. They served as the directors of mission work in Galilee from 1981 to 1988, and in 1989, Lindell Browning became the manager of the Eastern Mediterranean Mission Council and district superintendent of mission work in Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Egypt.

Kay Browning has taught English in an interdenominational Bible college and at the Nazarene Eastern Mediterranean Bible School in Cyprus.

The Brownings have four children: Brittany, Lindsey, Erin and Rebuen.



Browning

•Bolling

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\$1 million for prizes and administration costs, Bolling said.

The improved education system would not only improve the work force of the area, but would also help to attract new business, he said.

He said he has "a host of other ideas," such as how to deal with abandoned buildings.

WHERE WERE THE MAYORAL CANDIDATES?

1. On January 20, 1993 a Public Hearing was held on Care and Education at the Madison County Administration Building in Godfrey. The organization meeting at 9:30 A.M., the League Headquarters, 601 East Grand Street, Granite City. The purpose was to encourage a majority of all citizens to attend and support Senate Bill 74. The tax surcharge money would take revenue from local cities that would be hard to replace. It means the loss of \$451,000 in tax revenue for Granite City. Dan McGuire was the only Mayoral Candidate to attend. He spoke on rotemodels in school.

WHERE WERE THE OTHER MAYORAL CANDIDATES?

2. On March 10, 1993 the Illinois Municipal League held a organization meeting at 9:30 A.M. at the League Headquarters, 601 East Grand Street, Granite City. The purpose was to encourage a majority of all citizens to attend and support Senate Bill 74. The tax surcharge money would take revenue from local cities that would be hard to replace. It means the loss of \$451,000 in tax revenue for Granite City. Dan McGuire was the only Mayoral Candidate to attend.

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3. On March 10, 1993 at 10:00 A.M. at the capital Municipal League had a hearing. Those that wish to give oral testimony filled out a slip. Dan McGuire filled out a slip to testify for Granite City. This slip is a formal document which entered into the committee record and is the position on legislation. Dan McGuire was the only Mayoral Candidate to attend.

WHERE WERE THE OTHER MAYORAL CANDIDATES?

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•Bailey

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Bailey said the city should eliminate its garbage collection fee, buy new trash trucks and hire city employees to haul garbage.

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FAMILY

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jungels
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Jungels - 50 years

Attorney and Mrs. Charles H. Jungels celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary while on a Caribbean cruise in February aboard the world's largest cruise ship, the Sovereign of the Seas, accompanied by their son, David.

Anniversaries were extended to them by the captain and crew members. They also visited the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tenn., the Florida Keys, and their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Jungels, in Sarasota, Fla., before returning home.

Mr. Jungels served as a pilot in the U.S. Air Force. Mr. Jungels was promoted to Clevon, N.M., on Feb. 20, 1943, while he was a World War II Air Corps captain and navigator awaiting combat duty in the South Pacific. Thereafter, he traveled the world, ferrying supplies for the Air Transport Command after combat duty.

Mr. Jungels attended Illinois State University, and was captain of the wrestling team. He graduated from Washington University with a doctorate of laws and letters and practiced law in Granite City from 1953 to 1986, when he retired.

Mrs. Jungels attended Granite City High School, graduating as valedictorian of her class. She graduated from Illinois State University and taught mathematics and English for 21 years at Coolidge Junior High School.

Besides their two sons, they have a daughter, Linda Jeanne Orrison, and two granddaughters, Susan and Julie Orrison.

Wroten-

Gant

Tammy Lynn Wroten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wroten of Jersey, Sheriff's Office, Farm, Tamm, and Bill Gant of Marmaduke, Ark., have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Wroten is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and is pursuing a nursing degree at St. Louis Community College at Forest Park. She has been employed at St. Louis Children's Hospital in St. Louis for three years, providing clinical support to the nursing staff.

Wroten is employed by Lindbergh School District in St. Louis County, where he has worked for eight years in landscaping.

The couple is planning a July 24, 1993, 4 p.m. wedding at Nameoki United Methodist Church in Granite City.



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Jim and Barb Dickerson of Granite City recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

The were married March 2, 1968, at the First Presbyterian Church in Granite City by the Rev. David Maxton.

Johnny and Donna Spanberger were their attendants.

Jim is employed as a maintenance man for the Granite City School District. Barb is also employed by the Granite City School District, as

an elementary secretary at Niederglass School.

They are members of the Family Worship Centre.

The are the parents of four daughters, Mrs. Paul (Denise) Ball, Angela Westbrook, Mrs. Larry (Tammy) Birkner, and Tina Dickerson, all of Granite City.

They have three granddaughters, Melissa Long, Jaime Westbrook and Kristy Ball, and two grandsons, Spencer and Ross Birkner.

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Granite City Press-Record, Thursday, April 1, 1993—5B

YOUTH FOCUS: What is the best April Fool's Day joke someone played on you?

By Pam Doope-Hurd.

Rolando Boyd, Madison
"When my third grade teacher put March 32 instead of April 1 on the board and I put it on my spelling test."

Josh Beavin, Granite City
"The best April Fool's joke is to put cup up on your leg and tell you mom or dad you are bleeding. Or put a bucket on the top of your door and tell somebody to come in and the water will splash on them."

Jessica Bauer, Granite City
"The best April Fool's joke is tell your mother that her sister will give them \$8 to help clean your room and do your chores then after he is done say April Fool and don't give them \$8."

LaRonda Cole, Venice
"I said, 'Mama, the grass is on fire.' She said, 'Get some water. Hurry!' Your house catches on fire.' I waited a few seconds and said, 'April Fool's!'"

Amanda Barunica, Granite City
"The best April Fool's joke is have them sleep in the car, put their alarm clock so loud as to goes and set it for 2 a.m."

Martha Waggoner, Madison
"When someone said there was a spider crawling on me."



Cierra Claggett



Martha Waggoner



Angelisa Mosley



Rolando Boyd



Bradley Sipes

Nick Lewis, Granite City
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Nathan Donohue, Granite City
"The best April Fool's joke was when I stuck a worm in my dad's coffee."

Angela Mosley, Madison
"When my third grade teacher gave me an A+ on spelling test and I had an A+ on a C and I went around showing everybody that I had an A+. When I got to school the next day, she said April Fool's!"

Kelly Rutter, Granite City
"What's the best April Fool's joke? One year I had the window open and my gold fish died and since it was April 1, 1992, I put it in my sister's cereal."

Shawtai Bradford, Venice
"The best April Fool's joke I pulled on anyone was the time my mom called and wanted to know if we were swimming over. Yes, we told her. Then we played a joke on her. We said, 'That Vernon Jr. was playing basketball today.' She fell for it. So she fell for it. Then she was feeling oh so sad and then we yelled April Fool's. We almost got in trouble, but we didn't."

Sounds of local radio a lot more 'talky'

By Ian MacBryde
Correspondent

There is a new radio sound in town — a lot more talk than we have been used to.

A sudden change in direction at KMOX (1120), the former country station carrying the audio portion of CNN's Headline Service pretty much round the clock. Although the change was not for the better, and therefore assume that you are seeing pictures at the same time you are listening, for the most part it works surprisingly well.

After a year of "talking" instead of listening to CNN in its way because we are busy cooking or shaving, or what have you.

KUSA's Program Director Scott Strong says the station will "take advantage of an unheralded sound in St. Louis." He says when the radio giant lost the Costas to KMOX, it signaled a change in the perception that KMOX could have everything its own way in the St. Louis market.

One knowledgeable source who follows developments in local radio suggests the changes at KUSA may be reaction to a perceived weakness in KMOX. He says when the radio giant lost the Costas to KUSA, it signaled a change in the perception that KMOX could have everything its own way in the St. Louis market.

Meanwhile, KWMU-FM (91) has also added a substantial amount of conversation to its broadcast day. The station now features a new morning program "Talk of the Nation" on a regular basis (1 p.m., M-F), followed by "Fresh Air" at 3 p.m., and a remarkable "Talk Considered" from 6 to 8 p.m. "Marketplace" goes from 6 to 8:30, followed by repeats of "All Things..." and "Fresh Air." There is also a considerable amount of jazz and classical music to make room for the new programming and the re-runs.

KWMU also programs BBC World News Overnight from midnight to 5 a.m. Monday through Friday, and has added four hours of informational programming to its Sunday schedule.

All in all, if you like informational radio, you suddenly have a great deal more to choose from.

B-Ball
If you like basketball, you have probably had a ball over the last few weeks, as college hoops draws to its tournament conclusion.

College which brings you the tournament, has also enjoyed the huge audiences which the sport draws. The net is doing much better this year in terms of participation, turnout, as an entity rather than as a series of unconnected games. Producers have been far more willing to switch around the game to game as the drama dictated.

Still horribly uneven, unfortunately, is the contribution which the audience gets from the assortment of analysts

which the network picks up for the basketball orgy.

With the basketball insight available, it's still a mystery why such coaches as Al McGuire and Digger Phelps are allowed to go on the air.

Typical McGuire goes. He speaks an enigmatic language of time berating an Indiana guard for not calling time out in the frantic closing moments of the Hoosiers' victory over Xavier. McGuire may have thought there was the danger of a five-second violation because Damon Bailey didn't get the ball in bounds soon enough. McGuire still had time left in the official count until the ball is safely out-of-bounds ready to be inbounds.

It is hard to understand how some of these coaches can spend so much time around the game and say some of the things they do.

Ian MacBryde is an independent video producer and former television executive.

Riverport lineup announced

By Alan Sculley
Correspondent

Riverport Amphitheatre is revving up for another full season of shows. The season-opening night of nine shows offers plenty of diversity, with shows headlined by country superstars like Reba McEntire, pop star Sting, heavy metal's Van Halen and comedian Gallagher.

Tickets for the following shows go on sale at 10 a.m. April 2:

- Sing with guest dada, 8 p.m., June 20. Reserved seats are \$24, lawn tickets \$12.

- 10,000 Maniacs 8 p.m., June 10. Ticket prices for the first week only are \$12.50 for reserved seats, \$9.50 for lawn tickets.

- Comedian Gallagher, 8 p.m., June 11. Reserved seats \$22, lawn tickets \$12.50.

- Tickets for two more shows go on sale at 10 a.m. April 3:

- Lynyrd Skynyrd with guest Charlie Daniels Band, 7:30 p.m., May 28. Tickets — \$23 and \$21 for reserved; \$17 for lawn — will be half priced on April 3 and 4.

- Van Halen with guest the Vince Neil Band, 8 p.m., July 28. Reserved seats are \$24.50, lawn tickets \$20.50.

- Clint Black and Wynonna Judd, 8 p.m., May 21. Reserved seats are \$24, lawn tickets \$15.

- Billy Ray Cyrus, 8 p.m., June 5. Reserved seats \$27.50 and \$24.50, lawn tickets \$17.

- The final two shows go on sale at noon Sunday, April 4.

- "60 Summer Spectacular" with The Turtles, Peter Noone, The Grass Roots, The Mamas & The Papas and The Rascals, 7 p.m., June 12. Reserved seats are \$8, lawn tickets \$6.

- Comedian Tim Allen, 8 p.m., June 18. Reserved seats only, priced at \$27, will go on sale Monday.

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MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS to choose from
90 OLDSMOBILE 98 REGENCY, 8400A, grey
91 BUICK JETTA, 2417B, red
91 CHEVROLET REGAL, 1812A, blue
91 FORD ASTROSTAR, P1837A, med. red.
91 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS, 2405A, white
91 PONTIAC 6000, 4302A, blue
91 PONTIAC GRAND AM, 3403A, silver
92 FORD ASTROSTAR, P1700, blue
92 FORD EXPLORER, P1804, blue
92 FORD EXPEDITION, P1817, white
92 FORD MUSTANG, (2) choose from
92 FORD T-BIRD, P1809, white
92 FORD L-BOAR SUPR. CS, P1765, bright red
92 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL, (2) to choose from
92 LINCOLN TOWN CAR, (14) to choose from
92 MERCURY COUGAR, P1771, maroon
92 MERCURY COUGAR, P1821, mocha frost
92 MERCURY COUGAR, P1850, white
92 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS, P1753, white
92 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS, P1751, white
92 MERCURY SABLE (6) to choose from
92 MERCURY SABLE WGN, (3) to choose from
92 MERCURY TOPAZ, P1750, lt. mocha
93 LINCOLN TOWN CAR, P1824, mocha frost
93 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS, P1835, dk. cranberry

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